

INTERESTING FROM NEW ORLEANS.

The Army and Navy Movements in the Department of the Gulf.
MR. HENRY THOMPSON'S DISPATCH.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 23, 1864.

MILITARY NEWS.

What your readers by this time think and say about the expected attack on Mobile, I know not, but here in this department and in the city, Mobile news creates the greatest excitement, and all that the news boys have to do to get a pocket full of railroad tickets and five cents postage currency, is to cry "News from Mobile."

THE ATTACK ON PORT POWELL.

I suppose you already know, it is commenced; and its fall is only a question of time, and that will probably be soon, for Farragut is there, and he takes time in such cases wonderfully. Every day in the department has the greater interest in the progress of the battle.

A report just arrived from Fort Jackson (seventy miles from here) states that the bombardment of Port Powell could be distinctly heard there on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday last, also that the shells from Mobile, on Tuesday, approached within a short distance of Port Powell while the bombardment was going on Tuesday, and that the shells could be distinctly seen striking the fort.

MOVEMENTS IN THE GULF DEPARTMENT.

General Banks is making preparations for an early move, and I may state also that no will command an army larger and more powerful than that of General Banks.

On Saturday, when a grand review at Carrollton, the general theater, was held, the crews of Mobile, which was the first ever seen in this department, Major Generals Reynolds and Anderson were present.

General Lee's opinion has been given of the news of New York, was presented to the corps of General Lee by Judge Atcha in a very neat and appropriate speech. General Lee responded,

"Two months of the year, we are engaged in war, and one month, we are overpowered, surrounded, and in a state of siege. Miss Banks was despatched the adopted daughter of Colonel Budny's brigade of cavalry. Speeches were made by General and Miss Banks, Colonel Budny and Colonel March.

We are to have the grandest of March over winter, and the coming of April next, that is, ab initio the weather continue fine. I will say no more about it until the adage takes place."

TO HUNGRY.

Two members of the crew of the steamer, named E. Downing, John Cameron, were yesterday sentenced to be hung for murder, it having been proved against them that while on picket duty they robbed and murdered the son of Dr. Canfield. The unfortunate young man was a poor boy, and his death was a severe loss to the slaves hunting dollars in it. The post mortem examination of the body was made by the bereaved father, who testified against the murderers in court.

News from San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10, 1864.

Arrived, brig Browster, from Boston. Sailed, ship Eliza Sears, for Liverpool.

Butter via the lathums has advanced to 35c. Butter via the lathums is still at \$24 per ton. Tobacco is active. Whiskey is selling at 90c. The upward movement in grain which has continued during the past week is now checked. Wheat at 21c. per pound, and flour at 9c. per barrel.

If heavy rains are not experienced during the balance of this month a large proportion of the breadstuffs to be consumed during the ensuing year will have to be imported from the Atlantic States, although good crops are anticipated in Oregon.

Bailey sells at three cents per pound.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

FRIDAY, March 11—6 P. M.

The transactions at the Stock Exchange to-day were so numerous as on the previous days of the present week, but the market partially recovered from the drooping tendency it evinced yesterday, and the downward turn of prices appears for the time to have been checked. This improved condition will probably cause another rush to morrow, and a return of the excitement which has recently raged in the street to such an unusual extent.

We have already told the public that now is the time to gather fortunes in such operations; but the people must not forget that it is a species of gambling which allures hundreds of incautious persons to make injurious investments, to which many can attribute their ruin.

Compared with the best cash sales made at the first board yesterday, Eric Readell advanced 2%, Hudson River 1%, Harriet 1%, Michigan Southern 1%, Cleveland and Toledo 1, Chicago and Rock Island 1%, Pittsburgh and Fort Wayne 1, Alton and Terre Haute 1%, Chicago and Northwestern 1%, and Quicksilver Mining 1%. New York Central declined 1%, Erie preferred 1%, Reading 1, Michigan Central 1%, Cleveland and Toledo 1%, and Milwaukee and Prairie du Chien 1%. In the afternoon the market became quite strong, and a general rise took place in all the leading stocks.

The following table compares the quotations for the leading railroad shares at the first meeting of the Board of Brokers to day with the prices obtained on Friday of last week:

March 4.	March 11.
New York Central.....	139 1/2
Preferred.....	117
Michigan Central.....	150 1/2
Reading.....	142 1/2
Milwaukee and Prairie du Chien.....	139
Chicago and Rock Island.....	142 1/2
Hudson River.....	139 1/2
Cleveland and Toledo.....	139 1/2
Alton and Terre Haute.....	139
Chicago and Northwestern.....	81
Milwaukee and Prairie du Chien.....	63 1/2
Pacific Mail.....	222
Canton and Quincy.....	54 1/2
Quicksilver Mining.....	50 1/2
Total.....	\$10,535,407
Balances.....	\$10,535,407

The movements of foreign dry goods at this port during the week ending March 9 were as follows:

Entered for Consumption.	Value.
Manufactures of wool.....	\$2,54
of cotton.....	922,209
of silk.....	175
of flax.....	577,124
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Miscellaneous.....	273
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The return of the Bank of England for the week ending February 24 compare as follows with the statement of the previous week:

Feb. 24.	Feb. 24.
Public deposits.....	\$1,079,789
Other deposits.....	5,153,691
Government securities.....	11,124,584
Other securities.....	10,566,744
Notes in circulation.....	20,147,980
Specie and bullion.....	19,674,016
Total.....	\$10,535,407

The earnings of the Milwaukee and Prairie du Chien Railroad during the month of February this year, compared with the receipts of the same month in 1863, were as follows:

February, 1864.	February, 1863.
Incomes.....	\$21,741
Interest.....	229,294

The following are the comparative earnings of the Atlantic and Great Western Railroad carried during the first two months of the present year as follows:

January.	February.
Incomes.....	\$21,741

The following are the comparative earnings of the

Tellico and Wahab Railway for the month ending February 23, 1864—

506,649

61,970

Increase.....

33,673

The Roma and Waterton road earned in February, 1864, \$264,730.34, and in February, 1863, \$31,619.19—increase, \$23,116.15.

The Erie earnings for February are reported at \$1,400,000 gross, or \$1,000,000 net.

The Boston Standard for yesterday says—

Money is now abundant, and there is less to be had than there has been for some weeks past. The rates of interest paid by borrowers on good security are from six to six per cent, according to the circumstances of different loans, but more is demanded of those who are less creditable. The discount is now about 1% in consequence of the scarcity of notes for sale, but there is a brisk business doing in gold and the foreign exchanges. The fad share market is quite animated and strongly operated upon by the spirit of speculation.

Securities are scarce and in quick demand, and for the permanent investment of large and small amounts of life capital.

STOCK EXCHANGE.

Friday, March 10—9 A. M.—SALES OF STOCKS.

100 US 6s, 1%, reg'd..... 110 1/2 100 Erie RR, pref'd..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Hudson River, 1st..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, pref'd..... 109 1/2 100 Michigan Central..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 2nd..... 108 1/2

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100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 3rd..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 4th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 5th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 6th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 7th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 8th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 9th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 10th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 11th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 12th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 13th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 14th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 15th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 16th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 17th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 18th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 19th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 20th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 21st..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 22nd..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 23rd..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 24th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 25th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2 100 Erie RR, 26th..... 108 1/2

100 US 6s, 1%, unreg'd..... 109 1/2